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The reply filed on 12/17/04 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): It appears that the applicant has responded to the rejections in related application 10/1988469 and not the rejections made in the instant case. It also appears applicant has amended the claims of 10/1988469 and not the claims in instant parent application. Firstly, it is noted in the Final Office Action of 12/19/03, the claims pending included 1, 4, 6-14, 16-18, 20-28. Claims 2-3, 5, 15, and 19 were cancelled. The response of 12/17/04 the claims pending are 1-34. Secondly, it is noted that the arguments pertain to rejections that were not of record in the Final Office Action of 12/19/03. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be bona fide, applicant is given ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. **EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Sharmila S. Gollamudi whose telephone number is 571-272-0614. The examiner can normally be reached on M-F (8:00-5:30), alternate Fridays off.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Gary Kunz can be reached on 571-272-0887. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 703-872-9306.

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